Listing of the Claims:

Please amend claims 1-18 as follows.

Please add new claims 19 and 20 as follows.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (currently amended) An osteosynthesis ~~Osteosynthesis~~ plate for osteosynthesis ~~Osteosynthesis~~ of ~~small neighbouring bones, in particular~~ wrist bones, having dimensions such that it may be placed above ~~the~~ bones to be treated, without resting on larger neighboring ~~neighbouring~~ bones, and comprising lateral holes for inserting screws to fix said screws ~~the latter~~ to such bones, wherein ~~characterized in that it~~ a face of said plate ~~comprises a face~~ intended to come into contact with said bones to be treated ~~which~~ is flat, and wherein said face ~~and~~ comprises holes for receiving screws having axes that are tilted in relation to said flat face, such holes being designed such that the screws, once inserted into said holes, diverge towards ~~the~~ an outside face of the plate.

2. (currently amended) The osteosynthesis ~~Osteosynthesis~~ plate according to claim 1, wherein said plate is ~~characterized in that it~~ is circular in shape.

3. (currently amended) The osteosynthesis ~~Osteosynthesis~~ plate according to claim 1, wherein said ~~characterized in that its~~ face opposite to that coming into contact with the bones to be treated comprises ~~exhibits~~ a recess configured to lower ~~the~~ heads of said ~~the~~ screws with respect to said ~~the~~ plate when implanted ~~in implanting position thereof~~.

4. (currently amended) The osteosynthesis ~~Osteosynthesis~~ plate according to claim 3, wherein said ~~characterized in that the~~ recess occupies ~~the~~ a portion of said face of the plate opposite to that coming into contact with the bones to be treated, and ~~is in the form of~~ a hollow

spherical cap.

5. (currently amended) The osteosynthesis ~~Osteosynthesis~~ plate according to claim 1, wherein ~~characterized in that~~ at least one screw hole is in the form of a hollow spherical section, and ~~in that the head~~ of said at least one screw comprises a head that exhibits a side wall in the form of matching spherical section, wherein said ~~these~~ respective shapes of the hole and of the screw head enable ~~enabling~~ multidirectional orientation of the screw with respect to the plate.

6. (currently amended) The osteosynthesis ~~Osteosynthesis~~ plate according to claim 1, wherein said plate ~~characterized in that it~~ comprises a number of screw holes about equal to ~~the~~ number of bones to be treated~~, or close to such number, in particular four holes to perform, when dealing with wrist bones, osteosynthesis of the bone capitatum, of the semi-lunar bone, of the cuneiform bone and of the uneiform bone~~.

7. (currently amended) The osteosynthesis ~~Osteosynthesis~~ plate according to claim 1, wherein said plate ~~characterized in that it~~ comprises a central hole of diameter adjusted to that of a positioning spindle, enabling the sliding engagement of the plate on said spindle, and a mark situated at the periphery thereof.

8. (currently amended) A set ~~Set~~ of instruments for ~~the~~ insertion of the osteosynthesis plate according to claim 1, wherein said set ~~characterized in that it~~ comprises a reamer.

9. (currently amended) A set ~~Set~~ of instruments according to claim 8, wherein said set ~~characterized in that it~~ comprises a positioning spindle, enabling the sliding engagement of the plate on said spindle.

10. (currently amended) A set ~~Set~~ of instruments according to claim 8, wherein said set ~~characterized in that it~~ comprises a dummy of the plate~~, i.e. a test piece identical in shape to that of the plate, provided with a mark identical to that of the plate~~.

11. (currently amended) A set ~~Set~~ of instruments according to claim 10, wherein said ~~characterized in that the~~ dummy comprises ~~provides with~~ a hole identical to that of the plate, enabling ~~to engage~~ engagement of said ~~this~~ dummy on said positioning spindle.

12. (currently amended) A set ~~Set~~ of instruments according to claim 9, wherein said ~~characterized in that the~~ reamer is hollowed and may be engaged by sliding, ~~but with a tight fit~~, on said positioning spindle.

13. (currently amended) A set ~~Set~~ of instruments for the insertion of the osteosynthesis plate according to claim 2, wherein said set ~~characterized in that it~~ comprises a reamer.

14. (currently amended) A set ~~Set~~ of instruments for the insertion of the osteosynthesis plate according to claim 3, wherein said set ~~characterized in that it~~ comprises a reamer.

15. (currently amended) A set ~~Set~~ of instruments for the insertion of the osteosynthesis plate according to claim 4, wherein said set ~~characterized in that it~~ comprises a reamer.

16. (currently amended) A set ~~Set~~ of instruments for the insertion of the osteosynthesis plate according to claim 5, wherein said set ~~characterized in that it~~ comprises a reamer.

17. (currently amended) A set ~~Set~~ of instruments for the insertion of the osteosynthesis plate according to claim 6, wherein said set ~~characterized in that it~~ comprises a reamer.

18. (currently amended) A set ~~Set~~ of instruments for the insertion of the osteosynthesis plate according to claim 7, wherein said set ~~characterized in that it~~ comprises a reamer.

19. (new) The osteosynthesis plate according to claim 1, wherein said plate comprises a number of screw holes equal to number of bones to be treated.

20. (new) The osteosynthesis plate according to claim 1, wherein said plate comprises four screw holes.